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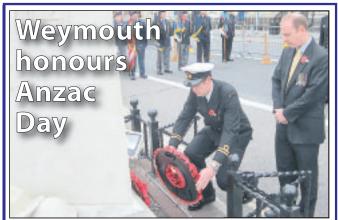
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## **BID** to boost ecomony

Businesses to vote on £1.5million levy



■ A SERVICE was held to mark Anzac Day at the Weymouth Anzac Memorial on the Esplanade. Pictured is LT Matt Windross laying a wreath watched by New Zealand High Commission attaché Rob Bell.

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CRUCIAL voting starts in two days time to decide whether hundreds of businesses will face a £1.5 million levy to boost the Weymouth economy.

The levy – worth £300,000 a year for five years – will be used to improve the town's trading environment.

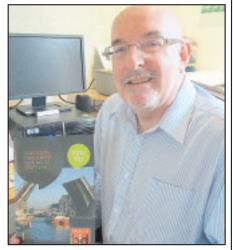
Nearly 600 businesses within the proposed Business Improvement District will be voting in coming weeks to decide if they want the levy.

To become a statutory charge it must be approved by at least half the businesses voting, the measure also failing if it does not gain support from more than half the rateable value of businesses being balloted.

BID co-ordinator and chairman Nigel Reed said: "This is the single biggest decision businesses as a whole in this town have had to take in recent times.

"The economic situation is bad, but this levy is designed to help everyone by promoting Weymouth, increasing footfall and getting people to spend more money.

"It is also designed to get people to come back again because you can have the best shop in the world but, if no one is shopping in the town, then you'll struggle."



■ BID co-ordinator and chairman Nigel Reed

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Voting is due to start on Saturday, May 4th and will finish on May 31st after which the Electoral Reform Society will independently total the votes.

A "yes" or "no" decision is expected to be known by June 10th.

Among possible aspects of a successful BID would be parking promotions, themed markets, an office in town, the use of ambassadors to promote Weymouth, more events, more festivals, visitor information and out-of-season mar-

keting.

Mr Reed said: "If we get a "yes" vote then Weymouth BID Ltd will be set up to manage the BID operation with effect from September 1st.

"Most of the money raised will be used to promote Weymouth as a destination for local shoppers and visitors.

"If the BID period proves successful then in 2017 we will reballot businesses for their permission to continue the BID but with a new business plan for another five years until 2023."

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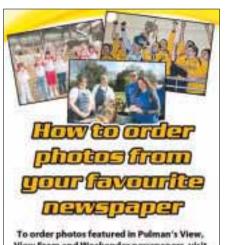




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OVER the past 15 years former actress Nicola Kathrens has grown a one-woman clothing business in Coombe Street, Lyme Regis, into one of the town's must-see shopping attrac-

Her unique designs of rare knitwear are tirelessly hand-made and it takes Nicola many hours to create each item. The results are sought by women visiting from all over the

#### ■ HOW long have you lived in Lyme and why did you come here?

In 1997, under the cover of night, I detonated an old life in London and as it was burning I quickly packed the two cats and as many belongings as could squeeze into my Mini and I hightailed it out of there in the direction of Lyme Regis, to re-invent myself and begin a new life by the sea. I enjoyed a busy life in the theatre - I was constantly performing nationally and internationally, living on adrenaline, applause, parties, alcohol and very little sleep. It was a blast but after 15 years I was tired and in need of a rest and a change of

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#### OF which creations are you most proud?

It has taken me countless years for me to recognise my skills and feel proud of what I do. Perhaps being brought up a Catholic had some influence. The sin of being proud of one's self would surely send me ricocheting into the fires of hell and eternal damnation? However, as I am now over that, I couldn't and wouldn't single out any one of "my girls" over another. I am proud of everything I make whether intricately laden with stitching and beading or jaw droppingly simple and understated.



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#### YOU were an actress before a seamstress, of which production are you most proud?

In the 1980s I worked with Common Stock Theatre Company running a show called "Getting Through", a musical for teenagers challenging the stereotyping of young girls going through school. We were invited to be ambassadors of our dear Queen, twice at the world festival of children's theatre in Toronto. I had never witnessed such knee-buckling, awe-inspiring, never to be forgotten, mouth-drying, heart-racing, funny, moving, huge, clever, challenging, brilliant, loud unforgettable and dangerous theatre ever. Or since. It was spoken and sung in languages from all over the world and I was part of that.

#### ■ WHAT do you most like about living here?

I hear the sea, smell the sea and see the sea every sin-

#### ■ HOW do you spend your time when you are not working?

Mostly, I stare into middle distance and practise the art of doing very little - with lie by the fire laziness and a cold glass of prosecco in hand.

#### ■ WHO would be your ideal guests for a dinner party?

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## **New building for New Look**

Look founder Tom Singh has opened the company's new multi-million customer support centre on the Gateway site off Mercery Road in Weymouth.

The 44,500sq ft building has been designed as "the heart of New Look" and it is the new home for more than 350 staff including human resources, finance, computer, legal and property.

Mr Singh told the View: "It has great views and it is light, airy and conducive to creativity.

"What happens now locally is dependent on how we grow internationally. As the business grows so will the number of staff in Weymouth."

He later cut a ribbon to officially open the centre and said he had opened the first New Look shop with his wife more than 40 years ago in 1971.

He joked: "We have so many shops now I never



NEW Look founder Tom Singh prepares to open their new customer support centre in Weymouth

see my wife!"

There are now more than 1,100 internationally and Mr Singh said New Look planned to move into China in 2014.

Managing director Guy Lister said: "I think this is probably the best customer support centre in

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the country. There is positivity here. This is the future of New look

"This centre will help us protect our core business and growth for the

future for the next 40 years."

Among guests was Weymouth and Portland mayor Councillor Margaret Leicester who said:

"It is an extremely interesting building which is very good architecturally and which is great for the community from an employment point of view. We hope it stays here for many years to come."

New Look chief finanofficer Alastair

Miller said in a welcome statement: "Weymouth has always been an intrinsic part of New Look's heritage.

"The company has 'grown up' in Weymouth and seen an amazing transformation from a fledgling local retailer to a major international leading retail brand.

"It was always appropriate that our Weymouth heritage be preserved and our new Weymouth Customer Support Centre maintains that connection with the past but with a modern translation.

"This was made possible when planning consent for the Mount Pleasant site was granted in July 2011, enabling mixed used redevelopment of this important 35-acre site. This has resulted in £60 million of inward investment - a significant boost to the local economy."

## Volunteers needed for crime prevention panel KEEN and enthusiastic members of the community

who want to make a difference are being sought by police and council officers who are setting up a crime prevention panel for Weymouth and Portland.

The panel will consist of a group of local volunteers who work in partnership with the community, the police and other agencies to improve the quality of life

for all those living and working in the area.

They will help to cut the opportunities for crime, help and reassure those who have been a victim or live in fear of being a victim of crime and develop proactive projects and initiatives to support the com-

Weymouth and Portland Neighbourhood Inspector Les Fry said: "This is a really good opportunity for members of the community who have a little time to spare and want to make a difference to step forward

and join this group.
"I have worked with crime prevention panels previously and they do make a difference - helping to keep our area safe. I welcome this new initiative and very much look forward to working and supporting the panel in the months to come."

Weymouth and Portland council community protection manager Graham Duggan said: "We are looking for people of all ages with a range of skills who are prepared to spend some time going out into the community to help tackle various community problems.

"This could include marking property, advising people of crime trends and passing on information to help reduce crime

"The panel will meet on a regular basis but the frequency will be decided by the group themselves."

For more information or to apply please contact

Melissa Fear, Community Safety Officer, Dorchester Police Station, Weymouth Avenue, DT1 1QZ, ring 01305 226863 or log on to Melissa.fear@dorset.pnn.police.uk.

## 'Gull-proof' your rubbish

GULL-proof bags were delivered to 2,000 properties in Weymouth and Portland during April.

The popular council scheme has been extended following a successful trial in the Park District in 2011.

The Dorset Waste Partnership (DWP), which provides waste services on behalf of Weymouth and Portland and six other councils, is handing out the free, black, reusable bags to help residents protect their rubbish from seagulls and vermin in areas where wheelie bins are not suitable.

The bags help reduce the amount of litter on the street. They have been very effective in other coastal towns and cities and have proved a hit with Weymouth residents so far.

Residents simply put their black rubbish sacks into the gull-proof bag for collection. The bags fold flat, so they are easy to store between collections.

The bags were delivered in Weymouth town centre and at Underhill on Portland.

Residents not at home when the bags were delivered have been left information about when and where they can collect a bag.

Residents in the Weymouth area who still require a bag can pop in to the Park Community Centre. Chelmsford Street, Monday to Friday between 10am and 12noon, as they hold a stock of the bags.

To be eligible for a bag, you need to have a black sack collection (ie no wheelie bins). Each property is permitted one bag, and families of five or more can have up to two bags.

Alternatively, residents in any part of the borough can order a bag by calling (01305) 838000 and one will be delivered directly to them.

For information about the gull-proof bag scheme, go to www.dorsetforyou.com/recycling-rubbish-andwaste/weymouth-and-portland/gull-proof-bags.







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## Tips on how to beat the burglar

"BEAT the burglar" and "foil the fire", were two of messages from Dorset's second rural crime event at Kingston Maurward.

The well-attended event included dozens of commercial and non-commercial stands each offering hints and tips to increase security in the countryside.

The emergency services were well represented, including Neighbourhood Police Inspector, Les Fry, who organised the first event

"In these challenging times we want to help people to make it harder for criminals to commit crime by taking appropriate crime prevention steps."

PC Tony Tester was amongst the police officers at the event, bringing along the quad bike he uses for patrols in wood and heathland areas.

"The year, before we had this, one of my patrol areas had about ten serious fires. Last year it was down to two...people know that we're about and, despite difficult terrain, can reach them if we have to," he

Other police exhibits on the day included a mobile shed which they had



rescues. The team are Ian Read, Andy Gorringe, Peter Stone, Allen Smith and **Neil Ditch** 

brought along to demonstrate the range of security equipment which can be attached both to the building and the contents.

Firefighters were also on hand, offering advice on preventing rural fires, both on farm premises and on many of the county's areas of heath and grassland

where arsonists often prev in the warmer months of the year.

The team, which included Beaminster firefighter Peter Stone, also demonstrated, with the aid of a full-sized horse model, how they would carry out equine rescues.

Speakers at the day in-

cluded: James Vaughan. Assistant Chief Constable Dorset Police; Shawn Whitley, Neighbourhood Inspector Dorset Police;-Councillor Ray Nottage ;Robert Lasseter, Dorset Farmer and Michael O'-Sullivan, Risk and Com-Facewatch Ltd.

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## New ideas for old buildings

has welcomed a new funding programme designed to stimulate local growth by rescuing neglected historic buildings and returning them to productive use.

"New Ideas Need Old Buildings" is the theme behind the Heritage Lottery Fund's Heritage Enterprise scheme which will commit at least £25million per annum over the next five years.

Mr Drax said: "The aim is to encourage private developers to work with community groups and social organisations to create commercially viable schemes. This can only be a good thing, particularly now when so much growth is stymied by the economic situation

"HLF has found that historic buildings are particularly successful in attracting creative industries and new business start ups.

finding the capital to repair the building so that it is usable. The Heritage Enterprise scheme will do that and also provide start up grants to help organisations with associated costs.

"This is a great idea and, in a constituency where we are blessed with so many historic buildings and so many good ideas, I think people should not hesitate to apply.

#### Man arrested following criminal damage to cars

A MAN has been arrested after six cars were damaged in the Westham area of Weymouth.

The incident happened at about 5.50am on Thursday, April 25th along Chickerell Road when all the vehicles targeted had their wing mirrors ripped

off and damaged.

PC Adrian Walker of Weymouth Police said: "This alleged spate of criminal damage will no doubt cause the car owners great inconvenience and expense.

"I would like to speak with anyone who may

have witnessed these incident taking place or who may have details about those responsible.

"Anyone with information is urged to call Dorset Police on the non-emergency number 101."

A 19-year-old man from Dorchester has been arrested on suspicion of causing criminal damage and released on police bail until late May.

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police 101 quoting crime number 25:44 or call Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111.

#### Melodies for memories singing session

CARERS and people who have, or are concerned about, any sort of memory loss will be welcome at the Sing On! sessions held fortnightly on Thursdays at the football pavilion just up the road from Willowbed Hall, Chickerell.

Sessions run from 10.30am-noon and cost £2.50 per person including tea, coffee and cake.

Sing On! is a "Melodies for Memories" session run through Age UK Dorchester with activities defits that are woven into the fun of singing and musical activities.

Hilary Foggo, who facilitates Sing On!, said: "The sessions are enjoyable, empowering, friendly and uplifting, giving many people a much-needed boost in confidence.

"People do not have to be singers to participate.

"Sing On! will also feature a

signed to stimulate cognitive skills and contribute to the many beneclips, musical games, plus much more!

> Anyone who would like more information or is interested in volunteering at the sessions, should contact Hilary at Age UK Dorchester on (01305) 269444 or 07891

If transport is a problem, please try Weymouth Community Transport on 01305 783999.



■ THE second Flight of the Sea Eagles event at Weymouth Sea Life Adventure Park has a very special "bird" appearing this year with a guest appearance by Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards.

Eddie will be launching the Saturday, May 4th event at 9.30am with a celebratory splash into the Park's shark tank!

He will also be meeting guests and watching the flight displays while he spends the weekend in Weymouth.

Chris O'Donnell, resident falconer at Warwick Castle, is coming back to the Park for a second year after the success of the first Flight of the Eagles event in 2012.

Chris will be bringing with him an American Bald Eagle, an Eagle Owl and the Steller Eagle which, as well as being the heaviest eagle in the world, has a wingspan of up to 2.5m (8ft)!

Continuing the Sea Life Park 's 30th birthday celebrations, these feathered guests will be flying daily over the bank holiday weekend from May 4th to 6th.

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The choir has 20 choristers who will be entertaining the audience at St Edmunds with many pieces of music unaccompanied, complemented by some specially chosen read-

Tickets are only £10 in advance and £12 on the door. Please call 01305 785811, 326866 or email rod62@hotmail.co.uk

#### Costa reopens

WEYMOUTH and Portland Deputy Mayor Ray Banham has officially re-opened the town's Costa Coffee outlet.

Costa in St Mary Street closed recently for a period of refurbishment.

Mr Banham said after the reopening: "It is brighter, more airy and has a more welcoming feel to it as you walk through the door.

"It is good to see a multi-national company not just staying in Weymouth but investing in Weymouth."

**Contact Harry Walton** on 01305 787843

## Weymouth honours Australia's fallen



■ LT Matt Windross lays a wreath watch by New Zealand High Commission attaché Rob Bell



■ COMMANDER Bernard York lays a wreath

Day has been held at the Weymouth Anzac Memorial on the Esplanade.

Dignitaries led by Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor Margaret Leicester laid a series of wreaths during the service, which was led by The Reverend Chris

The memorial commemorates the thousands of Australian and New Zealand volunteer servicemen who passed through camps and hospitals in Dorset during the First World War between battles in the Middle East and those on the Western Front in Europe.

Mrs Leicester said: "It is always an important day to remember what happened in the past because hopefully we learn from the past."

Among those remembering Australian and New Zealand fallen in war was Commander Bernard York of the Royal Australian Navy,who laid a wreath and said: "From an Australian point of view, this is

"About 120,000 passed through Weymouth, so Anzac Day is one of the biggest single days on the Australian calendar.

Another wreath was laid by Lt Matt Windross of the Royal New Zealand Navy who said: "This is a very important day.

"It is very significant for New Zealanders and one of our most im-

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New Zealand High Commission attaché Rob Bell agreed and said:

self and I am proud to be part of anything to do with Anzac Day.'



■ WEYMOUTH and Portland Mayor Councillor Margaret Leicester lays a wreath



■ THE Reverend Chris Briggs takes the Anzac Day service





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## Award recognises care team's dedication wall together now

THREE county councilrun residential homes have been recognised for their Gold Standard end of life care.

The Lawns in Weymouth, Sidney Gale House in Bridport and Streets Meadow in Wimborne are all celebrating after receiving the prestigious Gold Standard Award at a recent ceremony in London.

To qualify for the award staff at the homes had to complete a rigorous training programme and consistently deliver the highest possible care towards end of life for their residents

The homes must also consistently show a reduction in inappropriate hospital admissions, and a considerable rise in the number of patients dying in the preferred place of their care home.

Manager of The Lawns, Ann Vallins, said: "We are delighted to have gained this prestigious award. It demonstrates that the team works to a very high standard. The award helps individuals and their families to find homes that are delivering



■ THE care team at The Lawns. From left Christine Emery, Janet Mears, Ann Vallins, Sally Shaw and **Bobbi Ward** 

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high quality care for all their residents as they come to the last stage of their life."

County adult and community services deputy director Harry Capron said: "It's a credit to the commitment and dedication of the staff at the homes to achieve this award and we are delighted that they have been recognised for their hard work.

"All seven residential homes run by Dorset County Council have now achieved the Gold Standard Award for the excellent end of life care they provide."

Professor Keri Thomas, GSF National Clinical Lead said: "Those care homes that have received

the GSF Quality Hallmark Award have demonstrated a real improvement in the quality of care they provide and halving of hospital deaths and crisis admissions, leading to greater satisfaction for families, residents and staff and significant cost savings for the NHS."

Among Gold Standard key aims are full integration of Advance Care Planning for every resident, to clarify their needs and preferences. and better training in communication skills, dementia care and dignity - conserving quality of life and care in the

To qualify for accreditation, care homes must have undertaken the full GSFCH training programme over nine to 12 months, embedded this into their homes for at least six months and then undertaken a rigorous accreditation process.



■ BUDDING artists help stitch together the giant wall

ARTWEY'S Olympic Inspire Marked cultural project, The Giant Wall, is moving forward nicely.

The project saw Weymouth and Portland residents encouraged by artists from Artwey to produce portraits on small calico squares of their inspirational local heroes and Olympians to be joined together to make a large wall-hanging for public display as a legacy of 2012's unique moment in Dorset history.

Artwey held over 30 free workshops in varying locations throughout the borough where people of all ages and abilities were encouraged to paint and sew portraits of their "giants".

Since then Artwey artists and friends of the giant wall have been busy sewing the portraits on to scarlet banners during several workshops at Jackson's Gallery on Portland and this stage is finally coming to an end.

There were more than 360 portraits so it took some time, but the banners will cover up to 30ft of wall space.

The next step is to line and quilt the

banners and prepare them for hanging and display.

All the portraits have also been photographed and the stories behind them recorded to include in the commemorative book which will accompany the wall and will be available to buy by those who would like their own souvenir of the

The wall will finally be displayed to the public in its entirety, with its accompanying book, at the National Sailing Academy as part of Artwey's Open Studios event running from Saturday, May 25th-Sunday, June 9th.

Artwey is also issuing an open invitation to communities to come to the official unveiling on Monday, May 20th from 1pm-7pm.

After a few weeks on display at the academy, the giant wall will be split into two and hung at the Brackenbury Centre on Portland and the New Community Fire Station in Weymouth, which will be their permanent homes and open to the

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celebrating after winning the "Vision for Life Award" at this year's glittering Opticians Awards ceremony held at the Hilton Metropole Hotel, Birmingham.

The awards, one of the most prestigious events in the optical industry, were staged in front of 600 plus guests to honour the best in the industry, nation-

The "Vision for Life Award", sponsored by Johnson & Johnson, was presented to I J Brown Opticians in recognition of the eye care they provide to all ages and their ongoing commitment to helping patients get the best from their vision as their lives progress.

"The judges made the



■ PICTURED are staff from IJ Brown Opticians celebrating their award win

award to a practice that is involved with patients of all ages through a range of schemes. It has clinical softer, people, skills as well," the panel said.

In winning this award, I J Brown successfully beat off strong competition from opticians across the country.

Paul Wallis, partner and optometrist at I J Brown Opticians, said: "We are overjoyed to have won the award.

"It is a tribute to the dedication, care and commitment of a long standing team who are always prepared to go the extra mile in caring for our client's vision. I cannot praise them highly enough, they thoroughly deserve this accolade.

"It is a tremendous honour for our practice to be chosen from among the best in country. We had a great night out.

IJ Brown Opticians are independent local opticians with practices in Bridport, Dorchester, Swanage and Weymouth. Last year they celebrated 130 years in Dorset, making them one of the oldest opticians firm in the coun-



■ WEYMOUTH Lifeboat tour guide Jim Flegan

## board

A NEW opportunity has emerged for people to tour Weymouth Lifeboat. Traditionally the only time that

members of the public could have a guided tour of Weymouth's RNLI allweather lifeboat, Érnest and Mabel, was as part of lifeboat week.

That has now changed thanks to RNLI supporter Jim Flegan who, following a successful trial last year, has decided to offer guided tours of the lifeboat on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

those days with the first at 10.30am and the next at 11.30am. each tour lasting for about an hour.

Jim said that each group was limited to a total of 12 persons and that they would have to be booked in advance at the RNLI shop.

The tours will be free but it is hoped that those on the tours will make a small donation to the RNLI which, being a charity, relies solely on public donations.

## Walk and talk

■ MEMBERS of Weymouth and Holzwickede Twinning Society enjoyed an evening with a guided walk and talk around the Wetlands Reserve at Radipole Lake in Weymouth.

The walk was led by RSPB information officer Luke Phillips and the evening was completed with a cheese and wine supper at the RSPB Wild Weymouth Discovery Centre assisted by centre manager Michelle Williams.







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■ DAVE Evans with his 40,000-piece puzzle in pieces

DEVASTATED master jigsaw maker Dave Evans was left in pieces when his giant world record attempt Queen's Diamond Jubilee puzzle collapsed just 17-hours after he finished it.

His stunning masterwork of 33 panels had taken him 200 hours over 35 days to cut and complete.

The disaster left a completely stunned Dave stood in a sea of 40,763 pieces from the crumpled 160 sq ft puzzle.

He said: "I'd been stood next to the boards displaying the entire jigsaw, turned away and the whole thing suddenly came down.

"My mind was sort of in shut down and I just thought, 'worse things happen at sea'."

The giant jigsaw, which is currently under assessment for a new Guinness world record for a hand-cut wooden puzzle, looked a for-

lorn sight as it lay in the foyer of Brewers Quay in Weymouth.

Dave's main problem is that the Queen has given permission for the completed puzzle to be displayed at her Sandringham residence during the summer, so the race is now on to remake the whole jigsaw by the end of May.

Dave said: "We have some wonderful volunteers helping me to remake the jigsaw.

"Some sections have fortunately ended up in a roll virtually intact and others have only lost a few dozen pieces scattered about, but some sections have completely come apart and are just heaps of pieces.

"It is going to be a huge job to put it all back together again.

"What we are doing is assembling those of the 33 sections which are complete and those that just need a bit of work. The rest we have in boxes waiting to be sorted.

"To be honest, the biggest enemy I have is time because I have so many other things to

"If I had the time I would quite enjoy putting it all back together. I love doing a jigsaw but I am always too busy making them."

Dave then broke off and began carefully scanning the edge of the giant collapsed drift of pieces, looking for clues which might reunite them with their panel, many of which were being worked on by volunteers at nearby tables.

He said: "At least the Queen is all right! Her picture was at the heart of the puzzle and I can still see her.

"We'll get there in the end. I just didn't expect to be making it again so soon!"

## Walking over hot coals for charity

WEYMOUTH and Portland Chamber of Commerce president Mark Blunden showed his commitment to charity...by walking across hot coals reaching 600 degrees centigrade!

Mark was taking part in Bournemouth Churches Housing Association fire walk sponsored by Barclays.

He wanted to show the business community's support for BCHA's work in both towns to support homeless and other vulnerable people off the streets, out of abuse, over skills barriers and on to independence and work.

Mark said: "I am so pleased to be able support this fantastic charity as it supports causes I feel very passionate about. It is clear from the turnout that many others feel the same and I'm delighted that between us all we were able to contribute to the charity and all that it stands for."

The event, which was held at Bournemouth's Highcliff Marriott has proved to be BCHA's most successful fundraising event to date. Over 40 people walked over the hot coals, with the fundraising total expected to reach £8,000 when all the sponsorship money is collected.



MARK Blunden fire walking for BCHA

#### Plant sale for Julia's House

A PLANT sale supporting Julia's House Children's Hospice will be held at Scutt Hall, Sutton Road, Preston, Weymouth, on Saturday, May 4th from 10amnoon.

The event will offer a wide variety of plants for sale for all gardens, tubs and baskets.

Donations to Julia's House will be welcome, entry is free and there will also be refreshments.

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## Folk festival just weeks away

WESSEX Folk Festival is now just a few weeks away from taking over the harbourside and Hope Square areas of Weymouth from May 31st-June 2nd.

The festival committee

says it is delighted with the amazing range and quality of acts they have managed to book this year from shanty men to bagpipe rock acts and folk beat boxers alongside the more traditional

something for every taste and for all the family.

Acts can be seen free at the two outdoor stages during Saturday and Sunday day time.

In addition there will be

music sessions in local pubs, a ceilidh in Hope Square, food and craft stalls alongside the harbourside, and traditional dancing in the streets of Weymouth.

There is also one special ticketed evening concert put on during the festival and it has been confirmed that this year it will be Nick Dow, a renowned expert on the folk songs of Dorset and the West Country.

Every song Nick sings has a story attached to it and his concerts are as informative as they are entertaining.

Tickets can be bought in advance at Imagine Books in St Alban Street, Weymouth, or via their website www.imaginebookshops.com.

The committee is now appealing for volunteer stewards to help and wants anyone interested to get in touch as soon as possible through the website www.wessexfolk.co.uk or by calling Chris on 01305 823013.

Duties will include helping to direct people to venues around the festival, selling programmes and collecting the crucial donations which help keep this a free event.

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#### Social club welcomes new members and volunteers

RESIDENTS of Weymouth are being invited to join a new club for older people at St Aldhelm's Church Centre in Spa Road, which will run every Tuesday from 2pm-4pm.

The club is open to both men and women and will offer a range of activities including cookery demonstrations, karaoke, games and much more.

It costs £4 per session.

Brendoncare's social clubs are devoted to giving people the opportunity to meet new friends and have

Club locality manager Tony Hanson said: "We know from experience that people live happier and more fulfilled lives if they are able to enjoy the companionship of like-minded people, stay mentally and physically active and mix with friends. Our clubs are friendly and usually relatively small which enables us to offer a personal touch."

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#### Lifeboat week line-up

THERE will be a variety of events during Weymouth Lifeboat Week from July 28th-August 3rd.

The week begins on July 28th with a Lifeboat Service on the harbourside at 7.30pm.

On Monday July 29th there will be a barbecue at the Nothe with a display by the lifeboat starting at 6.30pm and the lifeboat will also give a display early evening the next day at Bowleaze Cove.

Another barbecue will be held on Thursday, August 1st at 6.30pm at Weymouth Sailing Club while the lifeboat and inshore lifeboats will be open to the public at the Lifeboat Station on Saturday August 3rd from 10am-4pm with the grand raffle draw at 4pm.



#### THE team and leaders

DORSET Fire and Rescue Service's (DFRS) Princes Trust programme has held a glamorous final presentation ceremony at Lulworth Castle.

The DFRS's 100th Princes Trust programme has been running from Weymouth Community Fire Station since January 28th, offering a 12week personal development prowhich 16-25-year-olds to tackle many different activities while working towards a nationally recognised award.

Participants, who came from a variety of different backgrounds, had the opportunity to spend a week away at a residential activity centre, undertake a project based in their local community, complete a work placement and participate in a team challenge involving caring for oth-

Among tasks was the planting of a beech tree on the Lulworth Estate to mark the 100th programme. All team members stood at the site and wrote

#### Picture courtesy of Dorset Fire and Rescue Service

down their hopes and aspirations for the future.

These were planted by the tree roots with the thought that their aspirations could grow to fruition with the tree.

Team members were Christopher Bartlett, Ryan Darch, James Davis, Rhys Ellard, Jaymes Frost, Harrision Harman, Charlotte Humphreys, David Lagadu, Dan Milne, Greg Roberts, Jake Sarginson, Alexia Stewart and team leaders were Dave Prior, Nick Marsden, Matt Kiddell and Mark Stubbs.

Chief Fire Officer Darran Gunter said: "Every final Princes Trust team presentation for us, is a very special event. To have supported 100 teams and positively influenced more than 1,000 young people throughout Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole over the last 16 years is simply inspiring. I look forward to the next 100 teams

DFR Princes Trust manager Marie-

Clare Nicholson said: "I have thought about this team and this night for a long time. It has been my mission to reach team 100. At one point three years ago funding had diminished so much that I was the only employed member of staff so, with this milestone tonight, I am one happy, proud and fortunate lady!"

Harrison Harman, 19, one of the 100th Team participants said: "I have got loads of experience and skills in communication, leadership and working with different people throughout the course. I have also been offered a job to start in the next few weeks, things I could never have done if it wasn't for Prince's Trust."

Alexia Stewart, 20, another programme participant said: "I have become much more independent and gained confidence because of this course. I have also learnt that things might not be as bad as they seem and I've gained a much more positive at-

#### The Christian Column

## AS I SEE IT ...

by Geoff Treleaven

#### In need of encouragement

OUR heavenly Father is more merciful than most of us realise. Even if we only have a spark of faith, there is hope; particularly if the spark is fanned into a blaze. The Bible says: "A bruised reed he will not break, and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out." (Isaiah 42:3)

Years ago, when we had open fires, there were occasions when, having laid paper, wood and coal, the fire almost died out. To help draw the fire into a blaze, we used to spread a newspaper over the fireguard. When the fire was blazing, we removed the paper, before that also burst into

When doubts come and faith is at low ebb, we need the help and encouragement of our Christian friends and the fellowship of a church.

As Christians, part of our role is to support one another and this is something we all need from time to time.

Many Christians have been there before us and. in looking to Jesus, have been upheld. I remember a time when I personally had reason to pray that if I could not hold on to the Lord He would hold on to me. And He did.

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# eymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

IT'S the great annual kite festival on Weymouth Beach this weekend and for the first time ever the council has put in several entries.

One is called "Budget", an unusual display which cuts across the sky bursting with vitality before slowly deflating to lie limp on the sands.

Crowds can also look forward to the authority's stunning Pavilion entry featuring a giant inflatable replica of the Pavilion. It will be briefly held close to the ground by a winch before its mile-long line is unwound to send it soaring way above Weymouth. This offering entitled "Now Your See It Now You Don't" portrays changing times in the town.

There is also bound to be a big cheer for the authority's Condor entry, produced in collaboration with the ferry company and showing a gaily painted seagoing vessel in the shape of a gigantic pound sign. No spikes will be driven into the beach to secure the Condor entry on advice from structural repair engineers working on the nearby harbour wall. Instead it will be tied to the nearest laser light to provide a positive conclusion if the entry breaks free and blows away.

Finally children will be encouraged to join in the council's spectacular Workforce entry by joining a workshop to make little inflatable figures which will later be gathered together for a mass release. Don't

## fly a kite! A one-way ticket to drunksville Keep calm

THIS is a Weymouth Railway Station announcement. The drunks blocking our entrance steps, swearing at each other and dumping beer cans on the pavement are the 1.57pm Lunchtime Special to Oblivion.

On departure they will almost certainly be calling at Unable to Halt, Much Quaffing, Sumoor Pleeesh, Missed in the Bog, Inmacups, Bellybelch, Swigton and, hopefully, Yawnicked.

Of course, there never is such a station announcement but, unfortunately, there very definitely are drunks displaying their lifestyle to anyone using Weymouth Station

My visit to collect a passenger left me torn between finding out how his train was doing and keeping watch on my car, which had to be parked just a few feet from the drunks.

Their conversation was loud, incoherent and peppered with eff-this, effthat and eff-the-other all tastefully stitched into spluttering arguments which seemed to flare up almost at will among the six men involved.

The only care they took was to avoid spilling their cans and there was much arm waving and finger-pointing to emphasise that their point - whatever the hell it was – was the right one.

I ended up being in the station for about ten minutes and I warned station staff what was happening outside, but as I got in our car and pulled safely away out of their verbal reach: they left me with one more gem.

"Shut your f\*\*\*\*\* mouth before I f\*\*\*\*\* shut it for you!"

Now who could say fairer than that?

## and carry on complaining

■ PLEASE can you all be a bit kinder to officials council who seem to be under a great deal of stress in recent times

That unfortunate incident at Preston where a mini roundabout was painted on the road twice as big as it should have been was a rare lapse and should not be held against

I know there was also a bit of confusion over cycle symbols painted all over it could have happened to anyone.

Of course there were those tiny problems caused by road markings at the Boot Hill junction fiasco but a bit more paint and a few more daubs soon sorted that out.

Then there was also that blip where another sign painted on the road at Manor Roundabout directed town centre traffic out to Upwey.

Actually, now I come to think of it, keep on complain-

## What goes around comes around

NOW is the time of year when you start finding all those things you lost last autumn and wondered where they had gone.

So far my haul includes a dice my neighbours lost while playing a board game on their decking last year. That turned up in one of my flowerbeds.

I've also found a football, a tennis ball, some sort of whirly copter toy, a

dog's rubber bone (we don't have a dog), a baby's sock (we don't have a baby) and half an indelible pencil. I wondered where that had gone. It turned up somehow at the back of a stack of bricks.

Other finds have so far included a packet of vegetable seeds I spent 15 minutes searching for in my shed only to find them in the pocket of the garden coat I was wearing and a gob of shiny earth which revealed itself as the bell off a cat collar.

I'm just waiting to stumble across a few missing gardening tools and my them. haul will be complete although that probably won't happen until the autumn when I no longer need them by which time I'm bound to have lost a few other things. What goes around : a pavement off comes around.



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## **Boost your bedrooms**

**ONE** of the best ways to make your home more suited to your needs, especially if you have a growing family or want to work from home, is to add a bedroom.

Increasing the number of bedrooms can also put your home in a different price bracket when you come to sell.

The most obvious place to put an extra bedroom is upstairs, with all the others, and sometimes it's possible to use the space you already have.

For example, if the main bedroom spans the front of the house, you may be able to divide it in two, as long as each room has its own, separate window. This may not be as satisfactory as adding space, but it can work well if your home's big enough and you're on a limited budget.

When you come to sell, remember that couples and sharers will probably be looking for good-sized double bedrooms, while families may be happier to have more, smaller bedrooms if it means one for each child.

When rejigging the existing space isn't an option, consider converting the loft into a bedroom or bedrooms instead. If you can also fit a bathroom or shower room up there, and built-in storage, you've created the perfect master or guest suite.

The cheapest and easiest loft conversions are ones with skylights (eaves conversions), as the line of the roof is unchanged. However, this isn't ideal if the loft has limited space.

Building out the roof to create more useable space inside is often necessary, which means a (more expensive and complicated) dormer, mansard or hiptogable conversion.

The pitch of the roof can make a big difference to how useable the space is - some lofts don't have enough head height to make the conversion worthwhile unless you lower the ceilings in the rooms below. This is a big and expensive job and won't be practical if the ceilings are already quite low.

You also need room for a good-sized staircase up to the loft on the floor below and if this means losing a bedroom, you may not gain much by converting the loft.

Building regulations for loft conversions are very strict about having a safe means of escape in the event of a fire, so it's not necessarily the easiest way to add an extra bedroom.

Creating a downstairs bedroom, and preferably a

bathroom or shower room next to it, can work better, providing your home's layout is suitable.

Ground-floor extensions are usually used to add kitchen, dining and living space, but they can include bedrooms.

A two-storey extension is often better because you can create extra living space downstairs and bedrooms upstairs and it should be cheaper than doing a ground-floor extension and a loft conversion, but two-storey extensions aren't always easy to do with our planning system.

Another way to add a bedroom is converting your home's garage (or outbuildings) into one. If the garage is mostly used for storage and the stuff can be stored elsewhere, the garage may be more useful and valuable as a bedroom, as long as it's converted properly and sympathetically.

To get the best of both worlds, you could put a bedroom on top of the garage, if there's space to build above it and for a new corridor on the first floor.



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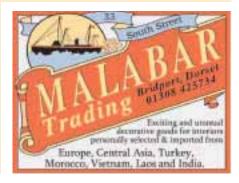
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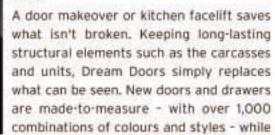


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Jim started his career at the age of 16 working for a well-established Architectural Practice in Dorchester. Having completed his ONC in Building Studies, Jim, turned his attention to his HNC and trying to find work closer to home. He moved onto a smaller practice in Beaminster gaining more valuable experience and completing his qualifications.

In March 2011, Jim made the big step to go it alone and set up JLAC in his hometown of Lyme Regis. This has turned out to be a very successful step. With an ever increasing client base and good local knowledge, Jim has now taken on over 120 projects, with the majority of work coming in West Dorset, East Devon, South Somerset, but also the odd project from further afield, with work presently going as far as Buckinghamshire.

In Late January 2013, a new office premises was opened at 44 Church Street, Lyme Regis, where you will find Jim and some of his freelance staff.

In the past two years Jim has taken on a wide range of projects ranging from kitchen extensions, to barn conversions, new builds and was part of the team of consultants to gain outline planning permission for the new school in Uplyme, Devon.

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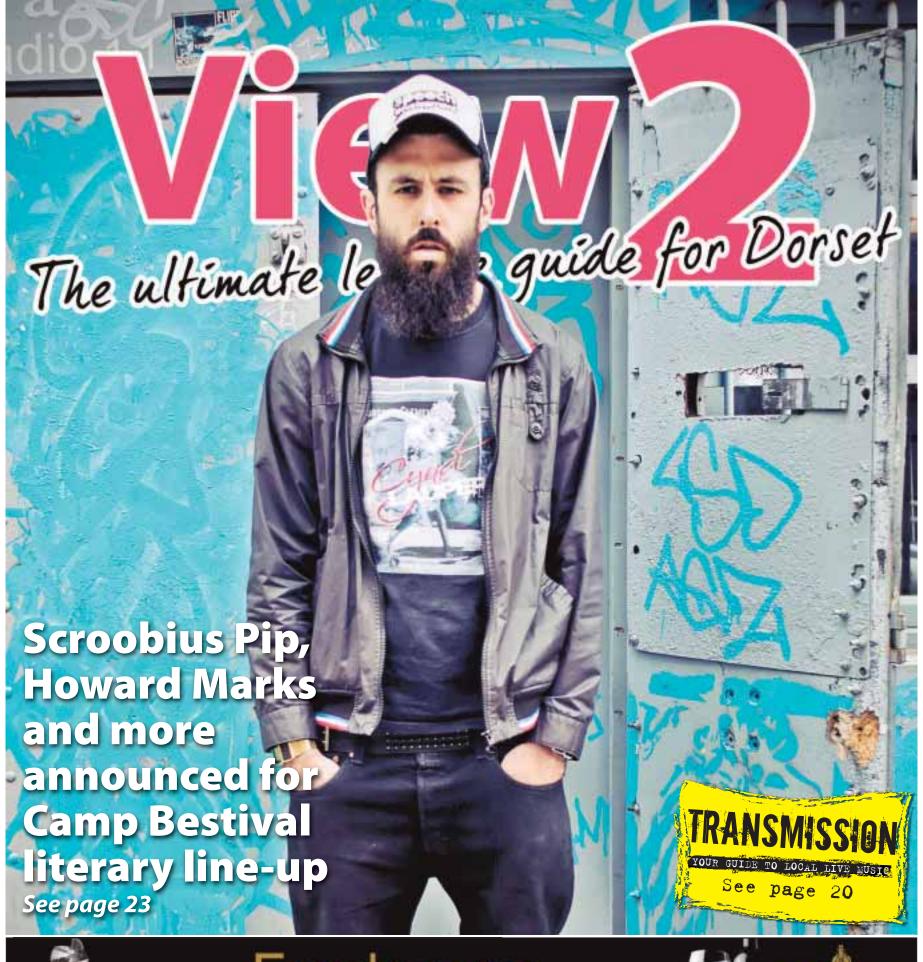
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Seedy Cases 9pm

The Crown Inn. BRIDPORT Sweet FA 9.30pm

#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Jamming at The Crown 4-7pm Tiny Face Experience 9.30pm

#### Saturday 11th May

The Nags Head, LYME REG Blue Mile 9pm

The Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
The Cadence 9.30pm

#### Sunday 12th May

Smith & Moore 4-6pm

#### Fri 17th & Sat 18th May

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#### Saturday 18th May

Real World 9pm

#### Sunday 19th May

Gut & Steel 4pm

#### Saturday 25th May

Delta Tango 7 9pm Slipped Disc 9.30pm

#### Sunday 26th May

Martha's Vineyard 9.30pm

## JAMMIN

at The Crown Inn

THE first Sunday of the month is time to make some music at the Crown Inn, Bridport every month. The house band is lead by Marty Wright, a long established band leader with a wide ranging repertoire. A harmonica player with many years experience playing in bands such as 'Triple Rock', He is pleased to be back in front of an audience and is proud of what he does. Co hosting the Jam session is Niel Martin who plays electric and acoustic guitars. Again with many years experience his knowledge of songs is truly vast and if you want to sing your favourite songs he can be counted on to provide quality accompaniment. The percussion department is headed up by Jim Shearman a veteran of the music scene both here and worldwide a truly outstanding and versatile player.

The jam session welcomes musicians of all styles and would like to invite performers who can sing and or play all varieties of instruments, from keyboard players, strings, percussion, horns, wind and

and or play all varieties of instruments, from keyboard players, strings, percussion, horns, wind and

The emphasis is on having fun and making music together. Every jam is different depending on who turns up and what they play or sing and that is what makes jamming so enjoyable. The Crown Inn is an intimate friendly venue serving Real Ales and Homemade foods all day. Come and join us this Sunday from 4pm til 7pm and give yourself a musical bank holiday treat.

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## THE CHRIS WOOD TRIO

## at The Electric Palace

FOLK maestro Chris Wood has been nominated for BBC Folk Award 12 times and received six awards from just three albums. His brand new, fourth, album 'None The Wiser' was released to great acclaim at the end of March; he is now touring the UK with his trio showcasing his new work, taking in prestigious venues such as The Sage Gateshead, St George's in Bristol and London's Union Chapel, as well as Bridport's Electric Palace on Friday, May 10th

Like all of Chris' work 'None The Wiser' has the feel of a social document. Bass and Hammond organ are called in to drive a bunch of short songs off the page and into the world. This - Chris' fourth - album is described as "fiscal and political meltdown feature but in a more robust way - this is almost like a pub band singing hymns and anthems".

Justin Mitchell (Keyboards/Trumpet) and Felix Krish (Bass) join Chris as he sings humble hymns and sweeping statements. From Alzheimers to William Blake, Chris lovingly takes the pulse of his homeland and translates it into what could be his best album

Chris Wood Trio's performance at the Electric Palace will be supported by The Douglas Firs – a

sublime acoustic duo from Bournemouth whose love of nature is reflected in their song writing. Described by Purbeck Folk Festival's director as 'one of the finest songwriting duos in the South', the Firs have been spreading their roots on the live scene for over four years playing to growing audiences around the UK at shows and festivals. With their influences ranging from the classic songwriters of the 60s to contemporary nu-folk artists, the crystal clear and sometimes ethereal vocals from Suzy Douglas combined with the delicate guitar work from Jimmy Douglas help weave the stories in their songs that creates their distinctive sound.

Get that Friday folky feeling with Chris Wood Trio + The Douglas Firs at the Electric Palace, Bridport on Friday 10th May. Advance tickets (£14 +booking fee) are available from www.seetickets.com and Bridport TIC: 01308 424901or £16 on the door.







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#### **SUNDAY MAY 5TH**

**DORCHESTER:** The Athelhampton Plant Fair at Athelhampton House, 10.30am-3pm. Eighteen specialist nurseries and the Plant Heritage stall, providing interesting plants often not available from garden centres, at reasonable prices. Also the Dorset Wild Life Trust and Dorset Butterfly Conservation will have displays. Free entry to Plant Heritage members and £5.00 concessionary entry fee to RHS members and non-members with a Plant Heritage voucher. Entry includes full access to this beautiful house and garden and to the plant fair. A good licensed restaurant and free parking at the venue. Details from Peter on 01305 772533 and the Plant Heritage Website

MONDAY MAY 6тн

Dorchester: U3A Monthly Meeting including a talk 'Fact into Fiction' by Eve Bonham, Author. Plant Sale. Coffee / tea available. Limited Parking. All retired / semi-retired welcome. At Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Culliford Road, 10am-12noon. For more details www.dorchesteru3a.org.uk or call 01305 250347.

#### MONDAY MAY 13TH

**W**еумо**и**тн: The Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society are hosting an evening entitled 'Thank You for the Music' to raise funds for Julia's House. This will take the form of a floral art demonstration by Sarah from Pygmalion and a display of arrangements by the Flowers 4 Fun group. The evening starts at 7.30pm in Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane, Weymouth, and tickets at £4 are available from Pygmalion Florists in Westham Road or the Julia's House shop. The ticket includes a raffle for the floral arrangements and refreshments, so please support this special

**DORCHESTER:** The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will be meeting on 13 May 2013 2.30 pm in the Education Centre, Dorset County Hospital Dorchester when Christine Shaw will give a talk on Lesotho - "Through the Gates of Paradise". All retired Health Service employees are welcome.

You can email your diary dates to rob@pemedia.co.uk

#### **Dance classes**



## this week in Bridport

A NEW beginners French Course starts this Thursday (May 2nd) during the evening at Olive Tree restaurant in Bridport.

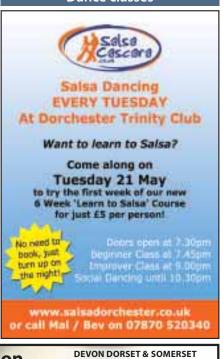
Anybody interested in joining the course should contact Penelope Frigon on 07817 302984.

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#### Dance classes



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## New French Course start TRADES COUNCIL FILM NIGHT FOR MAYDAY

Council are putting on a film night in the Corn Exchange to celebrate May Day this year.

They will be showing award winning director Ken Loach's new documentary "Spirit of '45". The film is an impassioned documentary about how the spirit of unity which buoyed Britain during the war years carried through to create a vision of a fairer, united society.

1945 was a pivotal year in British history. The unity that carried Britain through the war allied to the bitter memories of the inter-war years led to a vision of a better society. The spirit of the age was to be our brother's and our sister's keeper.

Director Ken Loach has used film from Britain's regional and national archives, alongside sound recordings and contemporary interviews, to create a rich political and social narrative. The Spirit of '45 hopes to illuminate and in the UK, the impact of which endured for many years and which may yet be rediscovered today.

Trades Council Secretary Tim Nicholls said: "This is a great film, it is not just of interest because of fascinating use of archive footage, but it shows what can happen when people join together with a common purpose of improving the lives of a nation. The NHS is just one of the great achievements of this period, and the film is a timely reminded of what we might lose."

Spirit of '45 is being shown in Dorchester Corn Exchange on Monday May 6th at 7.30, with doors and live music from 7 p.m. Entrance is free, though the Trades Council would welcome donations.

For more info contact the Unison Office in Dorchester on 01305 224436 or email Tim Nicholls on timtucouncil@talktalk.net

## Travels with a Donkey

a mercurial donkey deep into the soul of a small Spanish town. Mesmeric storyteller Mike Maran is bringing his beautiful production of Nobel Laureate Juan Ramon Jimenez's best-loved collection, Platero and Me to life at Bridport Arts Centre on Wednesday, May 8th, 7.30pm and at Dorchester Arts Centre on Friday, May 10th at 8pm.

Once upon a time, a hundred years ago, in a small whitewashed town near Seville overlooking fields of vines, olives, pomegranates and the Rio Tinto, there lived a little silver donkey called Platero and the Nobel Prize winning poet Juan Ramon Jimenez. His best-loved collection of stories paint an affectionate picture of his hometown where you meet

gentle pattern of their lives in the timeless Andalusian landscape.

Mike Maran, last seen at Bridport Arts Centre in a Christmas Carol teams up with internationally renowned Georgian director Levan Tsuladze and puppeteer Nino Namitcheishvili, to create a breathtakingly beautiful adaptation of these delightful stories, intended for adults, accompanied by a classical guitar score especially recorded for this production by best selling recording artist, Craig Ogden.

Bridport Arts Centre will take you to the heart of Andalusia and will be selling Spanish wine and serving nibbles as part of the evening's entertainment.

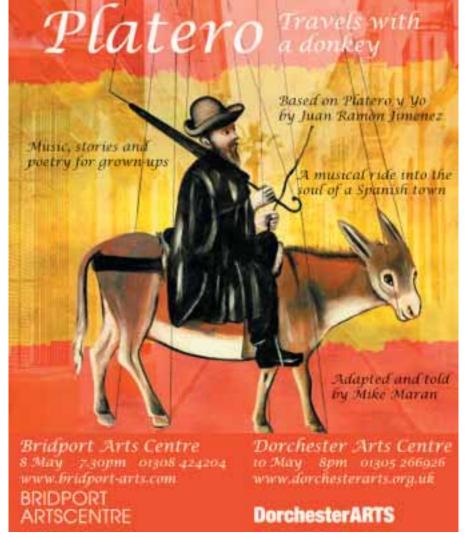
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favourite at Bridport Arts Centre so we're particularly excited to be hosting his labour of love Platero. It has everything from handmade puppets and excellent Spanish guitar music to a story that invites you to savour the simple things in life".

The show is suitable for adults and children aged 11+.

Tickets for Wednesday, May 8th for Bridport Arts Centre are £12 adult / £10 members and are available from the box office 01308 424204 or online from www.bridport-arts.com.

Tickets for Friday, May 10th for Dorchester Arts Centre are £12 / £10 members and are available from the box office 01305 266926 or online from www.dorchesterarts.org.uk



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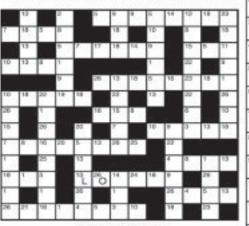
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Daily: 14.10, 16.30, 18.50, 21.10

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Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



APRIL 17th SOLUTION ANIRDLBGOCJYW XHMEVSTFUQPZ

#### Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both

#### Cryptic Clues:

- wom by men in retirement (11)
- end (3)
- wood for building aircraft? (5,4)
- tempt to find a way in (5)
- face to use them?
- totalled up to the same thing (5)

- 3. Pleased to be lucky
- 4. Soils satins, perhons /61
- 5. Train that is brought
- (4,5)
- most people! (11)
- Sec (6.5)

- 22. The top salesmen

- (5)
- 6. Evict a sallor and look the other way
- 7. His work is above
- won by the over-for-
- 15. It's clear I'd be
- occurred (7)
  - 19. Live well on five
- 21. it may be pierced or

- 10. Does it provide
- 13. Get in an unusual profit (3,4)
- 14. It contains a variety of provisions (6)
- 18. In fairness, it's sim-
- ply very cold water 19. Part of the audit
- 21. Slip up out of memiment (3)

- to absolute rest (7)
- B. Where games are
- 12. It makes one admis-
- 17. Be up in a local tax
- hundred (5)

fit the same grid.

#### Across

- 1. They have been
- 9. It turns quiet at the
- 11. Most of the men at-

- 16. Women haven't the
- 20. Part of the tide of

- 2. I'm quiet, but he probably won't be!

- sion after another
- involved in wheteve
- and get discount (6)
- just pricked (3)

#### Quick Clues:

#### Across

- 1. Sleight of hand (11)
- 9. Employ (3)
- 10. Transact (9) 11. Takes off (5)
- 13. Tamished (7) 14. Scream (6) 16. Stress (6)
- 18. Performer (7) 19. Purchaser (5) 20. Abandon (4.5)
- 21. Fish (3)

- Down
- 2. Sheep (3)
- 3. Sea-engles (5) 4. Summary (6)
- 5. Sallor (7) 6. Fancied (9)
- 7. Get far ahead of (11) 8. Starring part (7.4)

17. Part of the eye (6)

- 12. Anticipation (9) 15. Rapture (7)
- 19. Consecrate (5)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column every row and each of the 3x3 boxes conta all the digits

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## Howard Marks, Eddie The Eagle, Scroobius Pip and more announced for Camp Bestival literary line-up

THE past few years at Camp Bestival have seen increasingly impressive literary line-ups, so this year organisers are thrilled to be announcing the biggest and best literary programme yet across the weekend of August 1st-4th at Lulworth Castle in The Guardian Literary Institute.

worth Castle in The Guardian Literary Institute. An inspirational selection of over 50 speakers, authors, poets, journalists, scientists, philosophers, kids' writers and illustrators will be presented during the weekend.

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Rob da Bank said: "Well here we go again with another bumper crop of literary folk for Camp Bestival 2013 - delving into the brains, minds and inner recesses of many of the country's greatest authors, poets and speakers with another bountiful mix of the well-known nestled along unsung heroes of their craft. I live my life surrounded by music and noise so the Guardian Literary Institute is always a welcome break from the hubbub of the festival and I normally learn more in 30 minutes there than in the rest of my year. See you on the sofas!"

The Guardian Literary Institute is handily situated in the Kids Garden and promises a grown-up, relaxed hang-out (with sofas!) to soak up the eclectic mix of literary delights. The ever popular 'How To' series welcomes national treasure Eddie 'The Eagle' Edwards to chat about recently being crowned champion of ITVs diving contest 'Splash', as well as his career as the UK's first Olympic ski jumper.

Next up is the fabulous Jo Whiley, one of the best loved presenters in the UK, who'll be talking about her impressive career spanning Channel 4 TV, BBC Radio 1 and now BBC Radio 2 in 'How to Present'.

The hugely respected human rights activist Trevor Phillips OBE will speak on the topic of 'How to Handle a Riot', and the fabulous and lovely-in-real-life Charlie Brooks (Janine in Eastenders) will be sharing her secrets of 'How to Play a Baddie', while The Guardian's chief features writer Simon Hattenstone shares the trials and tribulations of 'How to Interview'.

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musician Sam Lee will reveal his musical secrets in 'How to Collect Songs' and journalist and writer Jules Evans promises tools on how to achieve the good life in 'How Philosophy Can Improve Your Life'.

Royal Observatory Astronomer Marek Kakula teaches us 'How to Stargaze' whilst wilderness experts Rob & Leo take us back to basics in 'How to Be Wild'.

As the UK spoken word scene goes from strength to strength, Camp Bestival have bagged some of the top poets in the country to share their musings, led by the one and only chief wordsmith, Scroobius Pip. He has invited recent Ted Hughes Award winner Kate Tempest and the immensely talented Polarbear to join him on his Sunday session.

Camp Bestival stalwart and intrepid bon-viveur Howard Marks also returns to share his brand new spoken word show, 'Scholar, Smuggler, Prisoner, Scribe'. With trademark honesty and penetrating humour, Howard will look back at four extraordinary and action packed phases of his life.

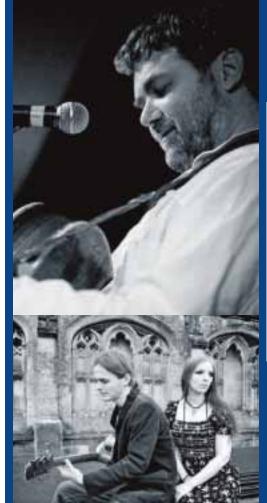
As well as this incredible plethora of literary delights in The Guardian Literary Institute, there will also be offering a full line-up of kid's authors and illustrators, with something for all ages.

Then, at night, the woods will come alive with fire and dragons and you will be able to hear a specially written

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So whether you are looking for some inspirational enlightenment, imaginary escapism, jawdropping spoken word, brain-crunching quiz sessions or to immerse the little ones in make-believe, we have something for everyone on our Camp Bestival literary line-up.

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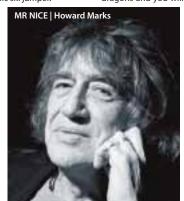
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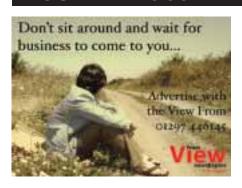
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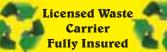
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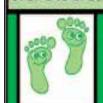
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#### Senior League

MERE TOWN celebrated winning the league title with an 8-1 win against fourth placed, and fighting for promotion, Witchampton United.

A hat-trick from Jordan Collins and one each for Nicholas Hewlett, Robert Clowes, Thomas Young, Scott Martin and Charles Parry sealed an impressive victory.

Kingston Lacy move up into second place as the race for promotion heats up. Peter Pritchard grabbed a brace in a 3-1 victory against Piddletrenthide United on Friday night.

Upwey & Broadwey moved up into the top five after their 6-0 victory against their visitors Okeford United. Charlie May netted four times and one each from Pete Bochonko and Ethan Devaney rounded off a convincing win.

Blandford United Reserves and Portland Town Reserves played out a goalless draw.

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CORFE MULLEN United maintained their ten point lead at the top of division one following their 4-0 success against Wincanton Town Reserves and now only have to win one of their last two matches against the two bottom sides to win the league.

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The Kangaroos annihilated relega-

tion-threatened Swanage Town & Herston 10-0 with their strikes coming from Ross Foot (3), a brace for both Jamie Samways and Jamie Beasley and one each for Kieren Gallimore, Tom Whight and Ashley White.

Another side to hit ten goals were Poole Borough Reserves who defeated their visitors Chickerell United 10-1 with their marksmen being a hat trick from both Stephen Russell and Jessie Arnold and one each for Jake Clemons, Ashley Hancock, Callum Neate and Ryan Mabey.

Merley Cobham Sports Reserves moved off the foot of the table after their 3-1 win against their visitors Poundbury Rovers with goals coming from Oliver Clayton with a brace and one from Lawrence Windle.

THE FOUR horse race for the title has now been reduced to three with AFC Cobham going down 4-1 against Portland Town with their consolation goal coming from Lee Madgewick.

While netting for the Islanders were Paul Cole, Danny Sheppard, Kieran Epsley and Aaron Riley.

Dorchester Sports head the table but have finished their fixtures and are waiting for teams to catch them up. Sports are six points clear at the top of Division Two, but there are still two teams that can catch them.

Weymouth Spartans put pressure on the top three with a 2-0 win against Sturminster Newton United Reserves with both goals coming from Marcus Simpson.

Corfe Castle moved up into the top five following their 4-1 win against Shaftesbury Town Reserves. Lee Turner grabbed a hat-trick and Ryan Norman also got on the score-sheet while netting for the hosts was Alex

Gillingham Town also had a 4-1 win on their trip to Wareham Rangers.

#### **Division Three**

LEAGUE winners Lytchett Red Trianale kept up their good from with a 2-0 win mid-table side Stalbridge with their strikes coming from Liam Collins

The second league spot has gone to Piddlehinton United despite losing their final league game.

Third placed Portesham beat Sturminster Marshall Reserves 4-1 with goals from Chris Birch, Matthew Croxson, Daniel Ridd and Michael Hoskins.

#### **Division Four**

**BROADSTONE** maintain the pressure on the top two, as they won 4-1 against United Football Club of Poundbury with their strikes coming from Alex Middleditch, Linton Robertson, a James Bichard penalty and an own goal.

Puddletown stay in the top four thanks to a 3-1 victory over relegation-threatened Weymouth Spartans Reserves.

Bishops Caundle comfortably beat Portland Town Reserves 3-1 with goals from Matthew Lucas. Tom Coly and Shamel Lewis. While netting for Portland was Antony Desmond.

#### **Division Five**

PIMPERNE Sport look destined for the Division Five title as they increased their lead to ten points following their 4-2 success Wellworthys.

Sports are now assured of the runners up spot as Third and fourth place sides Swanage Town & Herston A and Milborne Sports Reserves played out a 1-1 draw with the Sports marksmen being Matt Williams.

Lytchett RT Youth moved out of the bottom three with a 3-1 success against rock-bottom side Maiden Newton & Cattistock Reserves.

#### **RESULTS**

#### Saturday, April 27th **Dorset Premier League**

Bridport Reserves 2-1 Holt United Hamworthy Utd Res 1-1 Chickerell Utd Merely Cob Sports 2-3 Poole Borough Parley Sports 0-2 Swanage Town & Hers (Abandon at half time)

Sherborne Town Res 1-3 Hamworthy Rec Wareham Rangers 1-0 Shaftesbury Town Weymouth Res 1-0 Blandford United Wincanton Town 2-1 Portland United **Senior League** 

Blandford Utd Res 0-0 Portland United

Kingstone Lacy 3-1 Piddletrenthide Utd Mere Town 8-1 Witchampton United Upwey & Broadwey 6-0 Okeford United

#### **Dorset League Division One**

Corfe Mullen Utd 4-0 Wincanton Res Kangaroos 10-0 Swanage Town Res Merley Cob Res 3-1 Poundbury Royers Poole Boro Res 10-1 Chickerell Utd Res Bridport A 0-5 South Cheriton

#### Dorset League Division Two

Donhead United 4-6 Ship Inn Wool Shaftesbury Town Res 1-4 Corfe Castle Wareham Res 1-4 Gillingham Town A Weymouth Spart 2-0 Sturminster Utd Portland Town 4-1 AFC Cobham

#### **Dorset League Division Three** Lytchett RT 2-0 Stalbridge

Portsham Utd 4-1 Sturminster Marsh Res **Dorset League Division Four** Broadstone 4-1 United Club Poundbury

Puddletown 3-1 Weymouth Spartans Res Bishops Caundle 3-1 Portland Town Res **Dorset League Division Five** 

Kangaroos Res 7-4 Portland Town Milborne Sports Res 1-1 Swanage Town Pimperne Spts Society 4-2 Wellworthys

#### **FIXTURES**

#### Saturday, May 4th **Dorset Premier League**

Bridport Reserves v Cranborne Chickerell United v Parley Sports Hamworthy United Res y Tintinhull Holt United v Portland United Merely Cobham Sports v Weymouth Res Poole Borough v Shaftesbury Town Sherborne Twn Res v Swanage Twn & H Senior League

Okeford United v Mere Town Portland United Res v Gillingham Town Sturminster Utd v Witchampton Utd Upwey & Broadwey v Westland Sports

#### Blandford Utd Res v Piddletrenthide Utd **League Division One**

South Cheriton v Chickerell United Res Wincanton Res v Swanage Town Res

#### **Dorset League Division Two** Corfe Castle v The Balti House Shaftesbury Res v Weymouth Spart

Ship Inn Wool v Donhead United Wareham Res v Sturminster Newt Utd **Dorset League Division Three** 

#### Lytchett RT v The Belvedere Inn Portesham United v Stalbridge

**Dorset League Division Four** Mere Town Res v Portland Town Res Cranborne Res v Puddletown (10:30 KO) Broadstone v AFC Blandford

Weymouth Spart Res v Utd Poundbury Dorset League Division Five

Marrnhull v Swanage Town & Herston A Wellworthys v Maiden Newton & Cat

#### MIDWEEK FIXTURES

#### **Dorset Premier League**

Holt United v Tintinhull Poole Borough v Hamworthy Recreation Portland United v Shaftesbury Town Sherborne Res v Hamworthy Utd Res Swsnage Town & Hers v Weymouth Res

#### Wednesday May 8th

Thursday, May 6th

#### Senior League

Gillingham Town Res v Weymouth Spts

#### Tuesday, May 7th

Kingston Lacy v Witchampton United **Dorset League Division One** 

#### Swanage Town & H Res v Chickerell Res

Monday, May 6th

Shaftesbury Res v Wareham Rangers Res

**Dorset League Division Three** 

#### Wednesday, May 8th

Stickland United v TheBelvedere Inn

#### Monday, May 6th

Weymouth Spart Res v AFC Blandford Thursday, May 9th

#### Monday, May 6th

#### Monday, May 6th Bridport Reserves v Wareham Rangers

Wincanton Town v Chickerell United

Wincanton Town v Bridport Reserves Sherborne Town Reserves v Tintinhull Swanage Town & Hers v Hamworthy Rec

#### Hamworthy Utd Res v Merley Cob Spts

#### Monday, May 6th

Sturminster Utd v Upwey & Broadwey Westland Sports v Okeford United

#### Monday, May 6th Kangaroos v South Cheriton

Wincanton Town Res v Bridport A Corfe Mullen United vChickerell United Wednesday, May 8th

#### Dorset League Division Two

Weymouth Spart v Ship Inn Wool Portland Town v Donhead United Wednesday, May 8th

Sturminster N Utd v Gillingham Town A Ship Inn Wool v Wyke Regis Social Club

#### Monday, May 6th Sturminster Marshall v Stalbridge

Lytchett RT v Bere Regis Reserves

#### **Dorset League Division Four**

Mere Town Res v UFC Poundbury

#### Puddletown v Corfe Mullen Reserves **Dorset League Division Five**

Pimperne Spts Soc v Swanage Town A Wednesday, May 8th Maiden N & C Res v Pimperne Sps Soc

#### Owermoigne .....19 2 2 15 -45 8 Consistency the name of the game for the big two

BOTH Dorchester and Weymouth go into the new cricket season on Saturday under new leadership and looking for consistency to ensure improvement on their last campaigns.

Weymouth finished fifth in the Dorset Funeral Plan Premier League having won seven and lost seven, whilst Dorchester suffered their worst season for some time finishing seventh. winning six and losing eight of their fourteen games.

Matt Lawes has taken over as skipper from Dean Janaway at Weymouth and is looking forward to the challenge and looking for some of the younger players to take on the mantle of the older team members.

"Consistency is very important and that starts by having a settled side. Last year we suffered with lots of changes and so I am hoping that we can get a regular team.

Lawes (25) should be fit having just returned from a five-month cycling tour of New Zealand, something he will be maintaining during the summer by taking part in the weekly Moreton TLI Cycle Race Series.

"I will be looking to some of the younger players such as batsmen Jonny Armfield and Kieron Womble, and bowler Dan Hutchings to come through as the mainstays.

"Last year was a difficult one for the club, but we are looking to build up the youth set up and consolidate this season. We want to at

least maintain a midtable position but will be aiming for a top four spot."

Weymouth Seconds will be competing in Division Three this term where they will be led by a variety of older players.

Dan Belt will lead **Dorchester** this season. The 25-year-old Dorset all rounder looks to guide the county town back to glory after a poor season last year.

#### tough start

Rob Waite is the only absentee this term having moved away, but Shaun Little, a right arm off spinner all rounder, returns after a year out.

"It will be like having a new player with Shaun having been out for a year, and all the youngsters that came through and made their mark last season will have a year's experience under their belts."

They start with a tough opener, home at the Rec to reigning champions Wimborne & Colehill, but Belt relishes the challenge and is looking forward to a successful season.

The 2nd XI will play in Division Three under the captaincy of Stuart Beasley, whilst Simon Joslin will skipper the 3rd Xi in Division Five North and West. Promoted Martinstown will hope to make a

name for themselves in Division One. Danny

Dancer's youthful side will be enhanced by the

Meanwhile, the 2nd's under the guidance of Chris Monteith will have plenty of local derbies

addition of Bridport's David Herbert,

with Abbotsbury, Crewkerne and Portland RT 2nd's also in Division Five North and West.

The one absentee from the Beaminster side this year will be Nick David. "Noddy's" knees are feeling the strain and so the talented batsman and occasional bowler has decided to give them a rest.

Captain Will Everitt, who himself is recovering from a broken leg sustained playing rugby in January said: "Noddy" has been a great stalwart of the side and his talent and experience will be sadly missed.

"I understand that he is going to stay involved with the club helping on the ground and coaching the youngsters as well as spending more time with his young family, but I hope that after a rest he might feel the urge to return to play the occasional match."

Everitt confirmed that the rest of last season's players were all available, but expected a sticky start with several players also involved with the end of the football season.

Unfortunately Beaminster will have an awful lot of travelling this summer as Division Two consists mainly of teams from the Bournemouth area.

Hugh Rathbone will again captain Beaminster 2nd's who will play in Division Six.

Cattistock will have two new faces in their line up this season. All rounder Jon Legg and leg spinner Jacob Berry have joined them from Thornford whilst Martin Oliver and brother

Unlike Beaminster 1st, Cattistock will have Portland Red Triangle 1st, once again skippered by Grant Neven, Dorchester 2nd's and Weymouth 2nd's as local derbies in Division

**Bridport** skipper Liam Toohill reported a good turn out for their signing on night and first training sessions, and confirms a squad of 16 or 17 to tackle life in Division Four. Alex Lee will join his brother Ollie who played for the club last season; both are all rounder's.

Toohill will miss three games during the season due to his coaching commitments, but is looking forward to the season.

Charlton Down has entered a Saturday side this year for the first time in their ten year history. This is due to the arrival of Pete Tucker from Dorchester. "Tommy" spent 20 years at the county town coaching a stream of young talent through the ranks whilst also playing, but was invited by his home village to start an Under 11 youth team.

That led to the majority of the Dorchester 3rd team consisting mainly of talented young players to want to move with him and prompted the formation of the Saturday team who begin life in Division Six. They include qualified coach Cameron Lucas who will help Tucker with the coaching.

The Sunday side will once again compete in

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## Watto way to end record breaking season

#### Dorchester Town 2 Weston-super-Mare 1 BLUE SQUARE SOUTH- ATT: 623

A BEN WATSON brace helped Dorchester Town to victory over Weston-super-Mare and their highest ever position in pyramid football history, whilst setting a club record 65 Blue Square South points.

With Kieffer Moore having to withdraw at the last moment through sickness, Josh Tennant who has been in deadly form for the reserves of late, was given the place alongside "Watto" up front.

Any chance of a the large crowd seeing a classic game between two sides who just missed the play-off's was spoiled by a bobbly pitch and a strong wind that blew down the pitch from the Tesco superstore end.

The Seagulls with the wind behind them in

The Seagulls with the wind behind them in the first half had the first chance on nine minutes but Brett Trowbridge badly scuffed his shot wide of goal from 10 yards.

The Magpies took the lead on 16 minutes when Tennant neatly flicked the ball over the top of the visitors defence for Watson who drew keeper Lloyd Irish before blasting a right foot shot past him from 15 vards.

Neither side could really deal with the wind that forced errors from both sides, but Charlie

Clough remained composed in the heart of the Magpies defence.

Dayle Grubb might have done better when presented with a clear sight of goal just after the half hour from Ashley Kingston's pass but he fired a rather timid 20 yard shot straight at home keeper Jason Matthews, before Kingston tried an ambitious 35 yard lob that just dropped beyond the angle of Matthews'

With the elements in their favour in the second-half, the home crowd might have expected to see their side in the ascendency but Weston equalised after three minutes when Trowbridge was allowed time and space to set up a 20 yard drive that beat Matthews low down to his left.

The goal led to the Seagulls best spell of the match with plenty of possession but little to show in way of shots on goal, although they went close when Chas Hemming stepped over Kingston's cross, but Kane Ingram under pressure from Magpie's skipper Mark Jermyn skied his close range effort over the bar.

At the other end Sam Malsom tried curling a free kick in from an acute angle after being fouled by Jamie Price, but he over hit it beyond the far post, and it looked like the game would end in stalemate.

However midway through the half Dan Way replaced Tennant, and he had an almost instant effect. Weston failed to clear the ball on 71 minutes and it was Way that slid the ball inside the box to Watson who stretching, managed to stab the ball past Irish from near the penalty spot. The keeper got a touch, but could not stop it rolling over the line.

There was no way back for the Seagulls after that as Dorchester buoyed by the goal, managed to see the game out quite comfortably.

In the last minute of normal time in an identical incident to earlier, Price chopped Malsom down on the left hand edge of the penalty area, and this time the Magpies winger got the weight of shot correct, but Irish just managed to hold on to.

The crowd were justifiably happy at the final whistle that ended Dorchester's best season

## Magpies striving for record breaking total

Hayes & Yeading United 1 Dorchester Town 3 **BLUE SQUARE SOUTH- ATT:** 

THE hosts, safe from relegation perhaps thought that Dorchester had nothing to play for in their penultimate match.

However, they hadn't accounted for the fact that although a play-off place was beyond them, Magpies manager Phil Simkin was keen to overhaul the club's record points total, and needed at least a point to help achieve this.

With Lewis Morgan unwell, Danny Way was drafted in at left back with Jake Smeeton moving forward into midfield.

Charlie Clough went close early on with a header from a corner that flew over the bar, but it was Hayes who took the lead against the run of play on 14 minutes when the Magpies central defenders failed to close down Tom Daniels who was allowed to turn in the box before shooting past Jason Matthews.

But their celebrations were short lived when virtually from the kick-off Ben Watson outpaced the home defence to fire the equaliser under 'keeper Brandon Hall.

The only other decent chance in the first half

The only other decent chance in the first half came on 40 minutes when Kieffer Moore was just wide with a header from Nick Crittenden's corner.

The Magpies took the lead just before the

hour when Sam Malsom cut in from the right and beat two defenders, and when a third stood off him he thumped his shot beyond Hall.

Only once was Matthews really tested in the second half but he did well, getting down at the post to save John Goddard's shot that came through a ruck of players.

Clough sealed the points on 77 minutes when he cushioned Crittenden's corner on his chest on the back of the penalty area, before producing a sublime volley that flew into the top corner of the net.

Before the end Watson might have added to the score; first seeing his volley flash wide of the far post before Hall thwarted him with a splendid save as he broke through the home defence.

#### shocked

Simkin said: "It was a good win. They've been on a decent run and gave us a hard game but I think they were shocked at the way we approached the game, "We were very competitive in what was a

"We were very competitive in what was a good performance.

"We changed our shape at half-time to stop them passing the ball and scored two excellent goals to take the game."

# Charlie is their darling!

CHARLIE Clough was the supporter's choice as their player of the year this season.

The versatile defender/midfielder polled most votes at the game on Saturday and was presented with the trophy at the club's annual presentation evening later that day.

Neil Martin earned the respect of his colleagues who voted him their Player's Player of the Year, whilst Kate Taylor who among other duties runs the weekly bingo sessions, received the Club Person of the Year.

Jamie Gleeson who has been with the club for eight seasons and made over

300 appearances, won the Dinky Curtis Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Serv-

Striker Ben Watson won the Most Sporting Player and Jake Smeeton also collected the April Player of the Month award

Other winners were Senior Supporter of the Year: Adrian and Della Bradley; Junior Supporter of the Year: Ryan Blair and Most Promising Player: Tom Oliver.

Our photo (right, courtesy of Harold Gill) shows: Back Ben Watson (left) and Jamie Gleeson, front (l-r): Charlie Clough, Neil Martin, Kate Taylor and Jake Smee-



#### **MARTIAL ARTS**

## **Encouraging signs for new club**

A NEW club offering all types of mixed martial arts and well as traditional fitness routines has had to move to larger premises due to increased membership.

The Ultimate MMA Academy opened in February last year but due to increased membership in the gym has recently moved to Lower Edmund Street and recently had an open day which was well attended, where the main feedback was that people were surprised at the number of activities available.

The club offers all types of mixed martial arts, including Muay Thai, Boxing, Ju-Jitsu Judo and children's classes as well as all types of fitness training, where fitness boot camps are available.

The club is owned by Sam White and her partner Steve Domeny who together with four qualified instructors run the classes.

There are plans to add a hair salon to the gym section.



## Former player remembered

BRIDPORT Rugby Club and Weymouth Rugby Club remembered a former player Gary Hayward who died in tragic circumstances last year, by playing a memorial game in his memory at the Brewery Fields recently.

Gary played for both clubs in his career and he was renowned as a tenancious and fearless player who was always at the heart of rucks and mauls.

Gary's family and over 150 spectators watched over 40 players produce an entertaining game in which a minutes silence was held before kick-off.

The starting line-up for both teams included as many players who used to play with Gary, who still play or could be persuaded to dust off their boots, or put liniment on the creaking joints.

Inevitably some of the veterans had to give way for younger players; but all gave a good account of themselves.

The final score ended 33-31 to Weymouth, although Bridgort had led 19-5 at half time. However, having loaned the Seasiders some young players to cover for aching joints and injuries things changed, and with the slope advantage, Weymouth fought back to win with a last minute conversion.

Everyone enjoyed themselves, especially helped by the cases of cider and lager provided by the Hayward family, and following a raffle and the sale of refreshments.

The clubs then presented the Hayward family with a donation to the charity of their



## Cricketers take on footballers

PORTLAND United Football Club Youth Section have thrown down the gauntlet to their cricketing companions on the island, Portland Red Triangle Cricket Club, to play them at football, and the cricketers had no hesitation in taking up the challenge to raise funds for the youth section.

Manager Grant Neven feels that the cricketers will be more than a match for the esteemed opponents. He said: "It's been a long while coming, but finally the sports clubs on the island are making great headway with mutual cooperation and fundraising.

"The cricket club have always strived to bring the sporting clubs of the island together, and we hope that this will be the first of many joint events involving both

"The footballers will be playing us in a T20 cricket match later in the season; a game which should produce some excellent cricket.

"On the footballing front, the cricketers have one or two handy players and will certainly be no push overs."

The game takes place on Friday May 10th (ko 6.30pm) at Grove Corner, home of Portland United FC.

Admission is £2 for adults with children free. There will be a BBQ, an open bar and a raffle.

Both clubs would like

Both clubs would like to see a good crowd attending what promises to be an entertaining evening.

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## **INSIDE: Local sport round-up**

## Terras hand King new contract

WEYMOUTH Football Club manager Brendon King signed a new one year contract prior to last Saturday's last fixture of the season at Arlesey Town.

Announcing the decision, chairman Nigel Biddlecombe said: "Brendon has certainly proved his worth over the past season and we are confident that next season will see the club continue to build on the successes of 2012-13.

#### £5,000 from Legends night

WEYMOUTH Football Club Supporters Association have donated the £5,000 profit made on the successful Weymouth Legends event to club.

A statement released by WFCSA said: "On behalf of everybody at WFCSA and the club itself we would like to thank everybody who attended or contributed to the suc-

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cess of the whole event.

"We know that all of the former players enjoyed it also and we will definitely be arranging future reunion type functions."

#### Terras presentation this Saturday

THIS Saturday (May 4th) sees the annual end of season Presentation Evening when in addition to the presentation of the player's awards, the club will also be presenting this season's shirt sponsors with their relevant player's signed shirt.

Beginning at 7.30pm the night will include a buffet and live music. Earlier in the day there will be

open fans forum in the bar between 1.30pm and 3.00pm, WSFCA will be joining WFC Chairman Nigel Biddlecombe and the Directors to give fans a general update and answer any questions they have.

#### Disappointing finish to season ARLESEY TOWN 3 WEYMOUTH 0

WEYMOUTH'S season ended in disappointment with a 3-0 defeat at Arlesey, who despite the victory just failed to reach the Evo-Stik Southern Premier Division play-off with other results going against them.

Goalless at the break, the home side moved into gear after the interval to score three times through Drew Roberts, Chris Marsh and Jeanmal Prosper.

Chris Povall acquitted himself well in goal, saving at Roberts feet in the opening minutes and then denying sub Kim Forsythe in the dying minutes with a superb save.

The defeat saw Weymouth finally finish ninth.

# Remembering Gary

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